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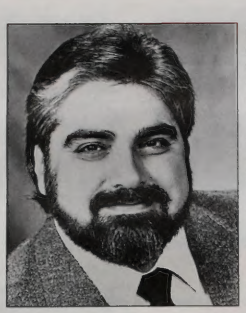
Evangelize...Who Me?

In John Bunyan's classic, *The Pilgrim's Progress*, the character of Evangelist warns the protagonist Christian to abhor three things in the Worldly-Wiseman's counsel: "his turning thee out of the way, his labouring to render the Cross odious to thee and his setting thy feet in that way that leadeth unto the administration of death."

Bunyan's message from the 1600s is still relevant today. Christians need to stay on the right path, work to achieve goals of eternal value and perform actions that glorify God. So when they take on their roles as evangelists, Christians need to keep in mind the great responsibility of being representatives of Jesus.

"We extend boundaries of the Kingdom by drawing people who don't know God through a relationship via Christ," says Rick Tobias, OTS professor of urban ministries and executive director of Yonge Street Mission (YSM), an inner city agency in downtown Toronto. "Most simply, to draw from (missionary to India) Leslie Newbigin, 'evangelism is the process by which we ensure that where there are no Christians, we go.'" YSM's ministries include a drop-in centre for homeless street youth and day-care for inner city children.

"The four Rs sum up evangelism well," explains Tobias. "It begins with personal *renewal*– you can't give away what you don't know. Then, *relocation*. This is not necessarily geographic, but rather, emotional. The father of the prodigal son in the Bible did not move an inch physically but went very far emotionally to reach out. The third is *redistribution*. We all have something to give away: time, talent, tithes. When we give a cup of water, it isn't merely handing over a drink–we give it in Jesus' name. The last is *reconciliation*. If a non believer is open and willing to accept Christ, they must be led to reconciliation with Him."



Rick Tobias, OTS professor and executive director of Yonge Street Mission.

None of this, however, is feasible without working alongside the Holy Spirit, from whom Christians are to draw strength. In John 16:7, Jesus tells His disciples that, upon His physical departure from earth, He will send the "Helper" (NIV). He recognizes that a Godly presence is needed to lead others to a saving faith decision.

"The key to regular evangelism is maintaining a burden," says OBC chair of ministry studies David Russell. "We need a steady passion for the lost and to continually seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit for opportunities to talk about spiritual elements. To be effective, we must train ourselves and understand the mindset of those people we're ministering to." Russell also points out that evangelists must be sensitive to elements such as cultural and linguistic barriers.

"We don't want to offend out of ignorance."

All Christians are responsible for evangelism. It is not only up to overseas missionaries or pastors of churches. When the personal decision is made to follow Christ, it is not simply a commitment to live a good life, but also, to be evangelists through actions. Without the latter, an acceptance of God's grace is futile.

"I believe that if we held the key to the cure for cancer, we would be evil if we didn't tell others. It is the same way with eternal life. We as Christians possess something that is meant to be shared," says Rick Tobias.

Although evangelizing is a very difficult step to take, it nonetheless needs to be done. Pride and the fear of rejection are small prices to pay for bringing others to share this good news. And without elements such as discipleship along the process, growth as Christians cannot possibly occur. This is a challenge to which we need to rise daily. Let us not miss the opportunity to bless and be likewise blessed. Let us not miss the miracle.

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Bernardo Lectures

The annual Bernardo leadership lectures take place at OBC/OTS October 16-18. Don Page, VP of Trinity Western University, is guest speaker. He will lecture on "Jesus' Radical Paradigm for Leadership in Today's World" (Thursday evening), "The Privilege of Leading" (Friday morning) and "Restoring Your Passion for Leadership" (Saturday afternoon). This series is made possible through the generosity of the late Samuel R. Bernardo, a tireless humanitarian and philanthropist who recognized the growing need for people of integrity to head industries, institutions and organizations around the world. Call ext. 2186 for complimentary tickets for Thursday and Friday sessions and to reserve lunch tickets ($9) for Saturday.

Staley Lectures

The annual Staley lectures are on campus November 10-12. This year's speaker is Maxine Hancock, who will lecture on "Jesus in Literature." The morning lectures are on: "Jesus: Cornerstone & Touchstone of Western Literature," "Jesus' Passion in Protestant Poetics of 17th Century English Literature" and "Jesus in Late 20th Century Literature: Figurations, Disfigurations & Transfigurations." The public evening lecture is on "Christ in the Classics: Why Didn't we see Him Standing There?"

Hancock has a Ph.D. in English literature and is an author, speaker and broadcaster in Alberta. These lectures are sponsored in part by OBC and the Staley Foundation. Phone ext. 6734 for more details.

Fall Fair! Family Fun!
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Changes at the College

Improved University Transfer Credits

In a recent release Dean John Wilkinson announced that new relationships have been worked out with three universities, which means that OBC grads will get more credits on their way to a B.A. degree.

OBC grads can now obtain up to 2 years of transfer credit at the University of Waterloo and up to 2 1/2 years at Trinity Western University towards a 4-year B.A. degree. It was noted that there is a plan to pursue increased transfer credits at York University as well.

In a special agreement signed by OBC and Roberts Wesleyan College of Rochester, New York, an OBC grad can earn a 3-year B.A. degree in three years: two here at OBC and one at Roberts Weslayan. Prescribed courses are now in place at OBC. Those interested can get further details through the registrar (ext. 6745).

This cooperative venture with Roberts Wesleyan is based initially on a humanities and social science foundation. This coming year, the deans will look at the possibilities of cooperative bachelor degree programs in elementary education, social work, business administration, music and communications.

It was also noted that Roberts Wesleyan will accept Canadian dollars at par.

Fast-Track to Seminary

For college students wanting to do graduate work at OTS, it was announced that a student can obtain both an under-

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"PERSPECTIVES" TO BE OFFERED BY OBC/OTS

Perspectives is a course designed by the Institute of International Studies, which runs in conjunction with the U.S. Center for World Mission in Pasadena, California. Renowned missions speaker Ralph Winter, along with other leaders, developed the curriculum to provide a course on worldwide missions.

This course is offered in Toronto at Young-Nak Korean Presbyterian Church beginning September 8, from 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Academic credit is available from OBC/OTS and registration is until September 15. The cost is $230 for certification, $350 for OBC credit and $500 for OTS credit.

For more details, contact ext. 2150.

EXTENSION MINISTRIES

OTS will offer a New Testament and Theology course in Ottawa, London and Oakville beginning in the fall. The London classes, on five Saturdays, from September 27-December, are presented by Nancy Calvert-Koyzis, OTS professor of New Testament. Ottawa's course is to be taught by Edith Humphrey, OTS lecturer in New Testament and Christian Origins. The Oakville section will be taught by OTS professor of New Testament Roy Matheson. For more information, call ext. 6757.

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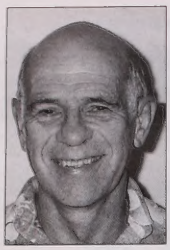
AN INTERVIEW WITH

Michael Green on evangelism



By Jeffrey Greenman, director of Doctor of Ministry education at OTS

The Rev. Dr. Michael Green, a graduate of Oxford and Cambridge Universities, has led evangelistic missions on every continent of the globe during the past 35 years. At the present, Green is a senior fellow of Wycliffe Hall, Oxford University. He is also an adjunct professor of evangelism at OTS and is scheduled to teach a D.Min. course on campus in January 1999.

How did you first become involved in evangelism?

When I trusted myself to Christ, I realized: "This is good news! If it's good for me, it's good for everybody!" I began to see that if the Gospel was veiled, it was veiled to people who have lost their way and that there was a real spiritual battle.

Would you say you have a "gift" of evangelism? If so, what do you believe the biblical reference (Ephesians 4:11) to such a gift means?

I suppose I have a gift of evangelism. If someone has the joy of leading a person to Christ on occasion, that is part of the ongoing ministry of "doing the work of an evangelist" (2 Timothy 4:5). But if when you proclaim the Gospel and call people to respond, there is a regular and frequent response, you can say, "This seems to be a charisma that the Lord has given me" and it becomes something you should try to specialize in and should aim to cultivate.

In your experience, what are some of the main barriers that prevent people from moving ahead in the work of evangelism?

First, our natural reticence and laziness. Second, here in Canada, we have a great respect for the private space of other people. A third is fear. Another factor are those terrible scandals involving evangelists south of the border, which gives evangelism a bad name. And in some Christian traditions or denominations, especially mainline churches, evangelism has a bad reputation as the "dreaded E-word."

What is your definition of evangelism?

Evangelism is "good news" since the word is derived from the Greek term *euangelion*, the word from which "Gospel" and "evangelist" come.

I sometimes give three definitions of evangelism. One is "overflow." This occurs when you are so full of the Lord yourself that you can't keep Him to yourself. Another is the famous one, "one beggar telling another where to get bread." Through no skill of my own, I've stumbled upon some bread and I've been fed by the One who is the Bread of Life, and I want to pass that on. The third comes from the English theologian William Temple: "To evangelize is to present Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, that men and women come to put their faith in God through Him, to accept Him as their Savior, and to serve Him as their King in the fellowship of His church."

Let's suppose that I'm a newly arrived pastor of a church. The church has a long and proud evangelical heritage, but I've discovered that most people there aren't very enthusiastic about evangelism. How do we shift gears from a maintenance-oriented to a mission-oriented church?

As a new pastor coming in, you have to earn the right to speak. You need to find out what makes your congregation tick. I remember when I was in parish ministry, I spent time with people in their homes and prayed with them. Begin to encourage, enable and build a little team of people to pray together, to help organize an evangelistic service from time to time, to help counsel or lead a small group for new Christians.

Given your experience preaching around the world for over 30 years, what would you say are the particular challenges to evangelism in the Canadian context? Are Canadians receptive to the Gospel?

Canada shares with the other Western countries in being a child of the Enlightenment, with all the problems that it brings–rationalism, trust in scientific knowledge as opposed to any other form of knowledge, a belief in human progress, "man as the master of all things" and so on. But, in addition, Canada is particularly strong in its relativism and pluralism. If pluralism reigns supreme, then there are dozens of ways to God, if God exists at all. Part of our challenge is to bring Christian faith into the marketplace of ideas and values.

There's been a lot of talk about "post-modernity" in the last decade or so. Do you consider post-modernity as more of an obstacle to the spread of the Gospel or an opportunity?

Post-modernity rose in a denial of absolutes, complete relativity of values, a preference for visual communication, the worship of choice in a consumerist and materialist culture, and so on. But, beneath it all, there is a hunger for spirituality. This openness is a wonderful opportunity for the church, provided it wakes up. These days, people are far more interested in hearing what difference Jesus can make in their lives than in receiving a long list of reasons why He is the Son of God. People want to know whether Jesus is relevant to issues.

Graduation tapes for sale

Clive Calver's sermon on "*What Kind of God do We Serve?*" from May's graduation ceremony is now available.

Call the bookstore at ext. 2188 for more details.

You can take the boy out of the farm... Several yards of rich topsoil were recently donated to the school by president Brian Stiller who promptly set about working it into flower beds around the courtyard.

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graduate and graduate degree within 5 years. This fast-track into graduate work at OTS will come by way of a special study focus offered within the B.Th., B.R.E. and B.R.S. programs. Details are now available through the admissions office (ext. 6757).

Retooled Christian Ministries

In this department, the emphasis is on helping those looking for placement in a specific ministry upon graduation including pastoral, youth, early childhood education and special needs. Those looking for a ministry foundation in preparation for seminary (pastoral, intercultural, education, youth/children, etc.) will take specific courses to ensure they won't duplicate work to be done at the seminary.

Early Childhood Education

OBC was recently granted status as an approved teacher education program with the Association of Christian Schools International. This will be an immense help for our students in securing ministry positions upon graduation as well as in their field education placements.

Degree Completion Programs

While OBC currently has a post-diploma program that gives community college graduates advanced credit toward a degree, this year advanced standing is being granted to students who have certain university credits but who have never completed their degrees. Under this this new arrangement, a degree can now be completed within 20 months of study. Courses will be one evening a week. This means students can work full-time while finishing their degree!

Budget Demands

Over the past two years, the ministry has met those demands and gradually reduced its debt. What the college wasn't prepared for was a drop in enrollment. The reasons for this drop are understandable in hindsight but something the college was not prepared for. While the programs of the college are being adjusted to better offer what is strategic for future growth and while there is a very active recruiting plan in place with the appointment of Don Russell as director of enrollment, the board called on management to balance this year's budget.

After making savings in all possible places, it was finally agreed that further savings had to be made at both staff and college faculty level. As a result, in late June, two full-time faculty positions were eliminated and replaced with part-time adjunct positions. One faculty member chose early retirement but will return to teach on a part-time basis. In announcing the decision, President Stiller said, "In my thirty years of ministry leadership, this decision has been the most painful and difficult I have ever had to make." The promise to students at the college is to provide those courses which are essential to college curriculum and to bridge into the future with a balance of full-time and adjunct faculty so that a complete curriculum is provided.

OBC Faculty for This Coming Year

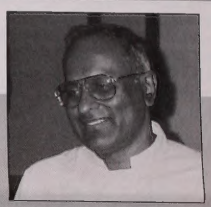
The faculty for the upcoming academic year include (at date of publication): Dr. Rochelle Cole, Mrs. Elizabeth Davey*, Ms. Kathryn Dean, Dr. Justin Dennison, Dr. Robert Duez*, Dr. Paul Friesen*, Dr. Tory Hoff, Mrs. Karen Hoogsteen, Mr. Kirk Kauffeldt, Ms. Francey MacKenzie, Mrs. Marilyn O'Donnell, Dr. Erwin Penner*, Dr. Beth Posterski*, Mr. Paul Robertson, Dr. David Russell*, Dr. Dan Scott, Rev. Sheila Stevens, Rev. Stephen Thomson*, Mr. Glenn Wyper. More adjunct faculty will be confirmed later. (**indicates full-time faculty*)

喜訊

九七年秋季開始，黎惠康牧師，師母(黎梁蕙博士)將加入安省神學院行列，並委任為華人事工課程主任。黎牧師仍任士嘉堡華人浸信會主任牧師，另部份時間負責課程的行政事工。師母將任教舊約，兼華人事工課程主任之職。

黎師母畢業於英國University of Sheffield，獲哲學博士，主修舊約。黎牧師於多倫多大學之Wycliffe College正在完成其博士論文。

黎牧師，師母曾任播道會及浸信會之植堂教士及宣教士，神學院講師（播道神學院，安省神學院，McMaster,及Regent)。兩人現正分別撰寫〔天道註釋叢書〕之箴言及以弗所書。



International missions lecturer Ajith Fernando taught "The Uniqueness of Jesus Christ" on campus in June. During a morning chapel service, he shared his personal spiritual journey. Fernando, who has spoken at conventions such as InterVarsity's Urbana, is principal of Columbo Theological Seminary and director of Youth for Christ in Sri Lanka.

Stewardship Services

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CHURCH'S CORNER

FOR ALL THE SAINTS

By Paul Friesen, OBC professor of history

"For all the saints from whom their labours rest..." So goes the triumphant first verse of a hymn many of us have sung. But what precisely do we mean when we say saint? The most basic meaning, of course, is anyone who has confessed faith in Christ. But Holy Scripture also speaks of those who have accomplished great things through faith, or who have died *for* Christ (these are special saints called martyrs). The first martyr of the church was the deacon Stephen (Acts 7). There is in fact a long list of martyrs and saints in the New Testament (for example, Hebrews 11). Following the New Testament era, many Christians lost their lives for confessing faith in Christ, following the example St. Stephen and many other disciples. Today, many Christian traditions identify each day of every week with the name of a particular saint. Unfortunately, evangelicals have been scared away from saints by the practices of some who have gotten side-tracked from Christ and focussed their faith on human saints.

Of what value are saints to modern church life? Perhaps we should begin to think more about them. We could begin by learning about and praying for Christians in other parts of the world who suffer and die for their faith. These modern-day saints have much to teach us. We could profile saints in our church materials and education programs or celebrate one saints' day called "All Saints' Day" (November 1). Over the centuries, this day came to commemorate all those who died for Christ without special recognition, but were known to God. Sadly, for many this holiday or "holy day" has been corrupted into little more than the modern, commercial Halloween–showcasing ghosts and ghouls and other occult characters. Let's reverse the decay! Let's reclaim saints both ancient and modern. Let's keep our churches focussed on Christ, with the help of those faithful believers all over the world and throughout the centuries, those evangelists, who have chosen proclaiming the Gospel over life itself.

Dear friends,

I recall being interviewed by Peter Gzowski on CBC's program Morningside when he stumbled over the word "evangelical." He ended up calling me an evangelist. I tried to explain to him that Billy Graham is an evangelist, but evangelicals are Christians who have particular beliefs. (I took a moment to explain what they believe: that the Bible is true, that Jesus is the Son of God, that we are called to be converted and that we are to live a life of faith and obedience.)

He looked at me with a puzzled expression and asked, "Yes, but aren't all evangelicals evangelists?"

"Yes, we should be," I admitted, "but we aren't."

What happens as we serve the Lord is that we can fall into the trap of taking the good news of Jesus for granted. Much like being married, we forget to tell our spouse of our love and affection. Not surprisingly, the Word calls us to return to our first love.

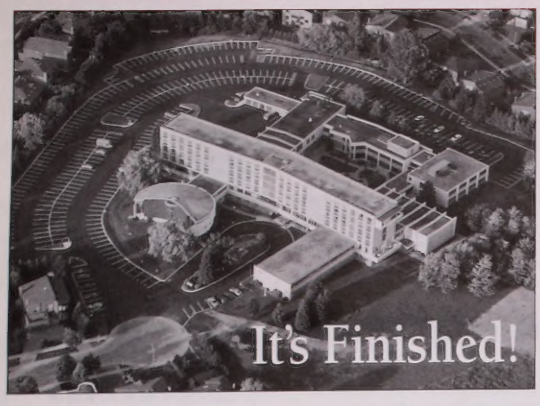
Here at the college and seminary, we are committed to build this ministry around the finished work of Jesus Christ that transforms and renews. Our mission statement is central to all we do: To educate and equip Christians to serve the world with passion for Jesus Christ.

The heartbeat of this ministry is to be carriers of the evangel–the good news that Jesus has come.

Sincerely,

Brian C. Stiller

Brian C. Stiller
President OBC/OTS



By Larry Willard, VP advancement

That dreaded bog of a parking lot that we jokingly referred to as "perfect preparation for someone interested in third-world mission travel" has been transformed into a waterless, mudless, shiny black velvet tarmac. No more dust, no more weekly car washes, and no more front-end alignments. Praise the Lord for His mercies!

We are so very thankful for all your generosity in this project. It began with two faithful anonymous donors who offered interest-free loans for half the $500,000 paving cost provided we could match the rest through other donations. Board members then teamed together and raised nearly $30,000, followed by a successful challenge from the alumni class of 1937. And you did your part. To date, we have raised half of the other $250,000 needed to complete the project. How can we ever thank you enough? We could never repay you for your kindness so we're asking God to.

We are trusting the Lord to continue the good work He has started as we go on with our tasks. For those who would like to honour the memory of a loved one or acknowledge someone for their Christian service in a special way, we are accepting single donations of $500 or more for which we will place a small memorial plaque on a parking spot. The inscription will read "Donated in memory of..." Please give me a call at ext. 2707, or drop me a line at the school if you are interested and join us for the dedication ceremony on October 18 at 2 p.m., the day of our fall country fair.

Producing Debt-Free Grads

The Debtor is Servant to the Lender

By Larry Willard, VP advancement

By now you may have read Brian Stiller's exciting communication announcing that for the second year in a row, we met our lofty financial objective of $1.8 million in donations for our annual fund. We squeezed over by just a few thousand dollars. I cannot tell you enough how grateful we all are to the Lord for His faithfulness. Of course we are equally indebted to each of you not only for your ongoing generous support, but especially for your continual prayers for this school. Thank you!

The annual fund is very important to us because it provides a 40% tuition subsidy for our students, which allows them to be trained at a reasonable personal cost. Without this subsidy, most of our students would not be able to afford quality Bible college and seminary education. This year we continued to find new ways to keep administrative costs down so that more of your gift goes directly to helping a student.

We have a dream to do even more to help reduce the heavy burden of staggering personal debt that Bible college and seminary students bear when they graduate. Many are unable to go into Christian service right away simply because they must pay off large student loans. Years are often wasted that could be used for productive ministry. Our dream is to one day offer our students their last year or last semester for free. Other Bible colleges and seminaries already have reached this level by building up their endowments. They are a wonderful way to ensure that your money is used exactly how you would like, for ongoing future Christian ministry.

Many OBC/OTS friends have placed money in one of our trust accounts that give an annual interest payment to the school, which is designated for a specific use. For example, it can be granted to a graduate going to a specific mission field like China or a Muslim country. Each year we give these interest payments to deserving students. Some are given out as a memorial fund award at graduation each year. It's a gift that truly does keep on giving.

We exist for no other reason than to educate and equip a generation of Christian men and women who will serve the Lord with a passion that will be contagious wherever they go in this world. We know that many are short circuited before they ever begin and we want to do something about that. If you are interested in learning more about endowment and memorial gift funds, please call me at ext. 2707 and we can set up an appointment. Thank you for responding to the Lord's leading over this last year.

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Gaining Victory

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Keynote speakers include Sinclair Rogers, Melvin Wong (Ph.D.), Patricia Allen (M.Div.) and Esly Regina Carvalho (M.A.). There will be 42 workshops on a variety of topics including "Born Gay?," "Overview of Sexual Recovery" and "Homosexuality and Psychotherapy." The fees are $90 (full conference), $65 (students) and $55 (one day).

For more information, or for registration forms, call (905) 686-7363 or write P.O. Box 21039, Ajax, ON, L1H 7H2.

Feedback on Community

Julie Bjornson, a friend of the school, is actively involved with "A Special Place" in Bobcaygeon, Ontario. Her community there has been collecting and distributing clothing for the last 10 years both locally and abroad. Since 1994, due to the generosity of donors, they have sent three large shipments to disaster areas in Jamaica, Mexico City and Armenia. Bjornson writes:

'God is faithful' is the theme I have chosen for the project. Recovering from a near fatal accident with a snowplow, I realized that God is faithful to take care of us and meet our needs...During my time in Bobcaygeon I have met many wonderful people: patient, caring, kind and generous. To me it is a very special place. The Clothing Giveaway is my gift of love back to Bobcaygeon.

Pastor Gene Monin writes:

I really enjoyed the articles in *Connection* summer '97, especially the many items on "community." It needs to be said from the pulpit and I shall!

Please let us know what you and/or your church are doing to support the concept of community. We will publish a sample of those submitted.

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Attention crafters

We are hosting a craft show and sale at the Fall Country Fair on October 18 and would like to include a broad range of craft items at various prices. If you want to participate, we are requesting a sample or photograph of your items by September 15. Upon your acceptance by the craft committee, a $25 per table fee applies. Mail your sample marked "crafts" to the alumni office. Samples will be returned on the day of the fair.

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Alumni Keeping in Touch

A note from alumni coordinator Sandy Green: Friends, I love to get letters, calls and e-mail from you. The side of my filing cabinet next to my desk is covered with pictures that you send me. I read your letters and look at your pictures and pray for you, your work and your families. Please keep sending me your news!

THE COLLEGE

THE THIRTIES

Emma Austin ('36) is busy keeping her fellow grads up to date with a class newsletter.

Bill ('36) and **Vera Tyler** ('37) are kept young by their active grandchildren. Vera warmly encouraged her class to give gifts to the "Paving the Way!" project to celebrate their 60th graduation anniversary from TBC.

THE FORTIES

Ker and **Grace Thomson** (**Self**, '49) teach at Puebla Christian School. Grace writes that they also work with the desperately poor of the housing projects.

THE FIFTIES

The class of '52 is flourishing and the news is flowing thanks to **Ruth Harrison**, who is faithfully keeping up with them.

Leona **Mason** writes that her husband, **Jim** ('56) is focusing his energies on the Pastors' Book Conferences in August/October in Nigeria.

Rik Lovelady ('58) is a professor and the departmental chair of English at Grace College and is still involved in playing assorted stringed instruments.

THE SIXTIES

Don and **Betty Cross** (**Dolbear**, '60) witnessed to children in the area around Managua, Nicaragua in June through Child Evangelism Fellowship.

Margitta Zimmerman ('67) praises God for answered prayer and less stress working part-time after nearly 30 years as a nurse in Nurenburg, Germany.

THE SEVENTIES

Fred Brown (AA* '76) is "Downtown Freddy Brown," singing thought-provoking music and sharing the Gospel while he works as a parts manager. Call (416) 241-0869 for more information.

Pat Lillie (AA* '77) trains literacy teachers in Papua New Guinea. Pray for her and the ongoing literacy work in the Girawa language.

Gerald ('78) and **Dorothy Hogenbirk** (**Henderson**, '78) moved from hot, humid Cote d'Ivoire to much cooler Budapest, Hungary, where they lead several teams of church planters in various European countries.

Ruth (**Walden**, '75) and **Tom** ('79) **Oliver** faced many challenges this year due to the changes to their work, the death of Ruth's dad and the transition back to Canadian life.

Kevin ('74) and **Joyce** (**Lambie**, '79) **Richardson** are thankful for the way that God led them in their work for the SIM Curriculum Centre in Jos, Nigeria.

Paul ('79) and **Joy** (**Borody**, '81) **Beggs** celebrate the birth of their son, Cameron Peter on May 21.

THE EIGHTIES

If you know how to reach **Christine Sheppard** ('81), please ask her to contact the alumni office.

Dave and **Kathy Casement** (**Crozier**, '82) and their family committed to moving from Swaziland to Pretoria, South Africa to continue their work with TransWorld Radio.

Sherry (**Leubner** AA* '83) and **John Kucher** ('86) work with inner city drug and alcohol addicts in New York state.

Brigitte Krause (**Weidelich**, '83) is music director and worship leader at Warden Assembly in Scarborough, Ontario. Her husband, **Michael** ('85), continues his work as the director of Evergreen Centre in Toronto.

Leonard and **Sharon Naismith** (**Veale**, '85) rejoice in the birth of their son, Kevin James, on June 16.

Art ('85) and **Cindy Rae** (**Penner**, '86) rejoice in the birth of their son, Daniel James, on May 8.

Darlene ('89) and **Peter** ('90) **Bergs** work in Marion, Indiana as house parents at Dagley House, a home for boys. They celebrate the birth of their first child, Catherine Anne on April 11.

THE NINETIES

Karla Warnholtz ('90) and Ed Kamerman were married on June 13.

Sue and **Todd Riley** ('92) rejoice in the birth of their son, Scott Andrew on November 26, 1996.

Beth-anne Aselstyne ('92) and Kent Spadzinski were married on July 19 in Parry Sound.

Tim and **Krista** (**Giles** '94) **Glos** are on their way back to Canada from Korea where they taught English.

Tanya Waldron ('94) and Michael Robinson were married on June 28.

Rosemary (**Scharfe**, '96) and **Tom Hardwich** ('93) were married in Ottawa on May 10.

Marcia VanSchelven (AA* '96) and **Craig Minchin** ('97) were married on May 16. Marcia works as a receptionist at OBC/OTS.

Joel Main (AA '96) and Andrea Johnston were married on August 2. In the fall they will move to South Carolina.

Sharon and **Steve Bussey** ('96) rejoice in the birth of their daughter, Skyela-May on June 13. Steve is area youth minister with Salvation Army in South Africa.

THE SEMINARY

THE EIGHTIES

The excitement is building for **Ingrid** (**Endter**, AA* '82) and **Jay** ('93) **Keddy** as they prepare to teach TEAM missionary children in Chad.

Since the upheaval in former Zaire, now the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Carolyn and **Doug Brown** ('88) report that there is much rebuilding to do both in the war-torn country and in their home and agricultural centre in Likati.

Henry Chow ('89) successfully defended his Ph.D. in sociology and education at OISE. Congratulations, Henry!

THE NINETIES

Patti and **Gregg Bryce** ('90), who served in Cochambamba, Bolivia with SIM, began a one-year furlough in July.

Bonnie and **Tat-Kwan Wong** ('91) mourn the loss of their one-year-old daughter Janice, who passed away June 17 after struggling with a heart defect and transplant. The Wongs' faith and courage was inspiring to many, including readers of *The Toronto Star*, which chronicled Janice's brave fight.

Anthony Bermonte ('91) and **Rebecca Reoch** ('93) were married on August 16 in Montreal.

In May, **Lynne Saul** ('93) received her Doctor of Ministry degree from Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadelphia.

Lydia and **Gilbert Nigh** ('96), along with their family, received final approval for their mission to Zambia with AEF.

Glynis Burkhalter ('96) accepted a new position with Emmanuel College in Kitchener, Ontario as assistant professor of counselling and coordinator of the counselling program. Until June 27, Glynis worked in the advancement department at OBC/OTS.

Nancy Bettridge ('97) gives thanks to God for her new job as director of pastoral care at Whitby General Hospital.

** denotes an associate alumni, one who completed a year of classes*

MEMORIALS

A. Leslie Moran ('39), April 20, 1997.

Lewis Lake ('31), May 14, 1997.

A. Louise Kirby ('23) June 6, 1997. She was the founder of the Missionary Health Institute in Toronto.

Ruth Carr ('47), July 2, 1997.

Alumni News

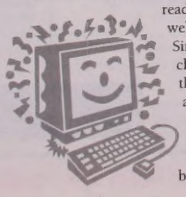
For more information on the following items, please call Sandy Green at the alumni office at (416) 218-6789 or toll free at 1-800-663-6052. The e-mail address is [stewardship@obcots.on.ca].

ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIPS

Four worthy students returning for full-time studies in the fall were awarded the alumni scholarships this year. Gladys Chan, 1997-98 OTS student council president, Yvonne Ford, Sarah Whitmore and Sandra Scott. Congratulations! Alumni, support this worthy project by designating your donations to "alumni scholarships."

SURFING ALUMNI

Check out our website at www.obcots.on.ca. Very shortly, the alumni e-mail list will be ready on the website. Simply click on the e-mail address of your friends and the box will pop up. If you would like to be listed, e-mail sgreen@obcots.on.ca.



DECADE REUNIONS

On the day of our country fair (10 a.m. - 3 p.m.) on Saturday, October 18, reunions will be held at 3 p.m. Come for the day! Luncheon option: our special speaker is Don Page, VP of Trinity Western University in Vancouver.

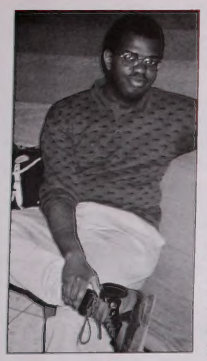
ALUMNI FLOOR HOCKEY PLAYERS

Reserve 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on the first Saturday of each month to play! Write it down on your calendar now for the months of October, November, December, February, March and April.

Call for more information.

FLOOR HOCKEY FANS

Join us on the first Saturday in October, November, December, February, March and April to cheer on your friends as they play from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. All alumni are welcome!



OBC student council president profile

Dale Watson is the new president of OBC's 1997-98 student council. He enters his fourth year of the Bachelor of Theology program in the fall. One of Watson's goals for the college is to be an effective servant by raising awareness of the council. "I'd like all OBC students to know that we exist for them," he says. "The OBC/OTS community provides opportunities to share different experiences with each other in ways that may not be possible in other places." Watson's hobbies include playing the piano, tennis and basketball.

感謝神的帶領，安省神學院特別為華人教牧同工所舉辦的"異象預覽"早餐聚會，於六月廿六日在充滿神吉，溫馨而鼓舞的氣氛下完滿結束。當天除了約有四十多位牧長及傳道同工在百忙中刻意抽空出席外，還有神學院院長和幾位教職員參加。

在聚會中，除了詳細解釋神學院未來的異象，目標和方向外，Brian院長亦誠懇地禮揚各教會願意撥上，忠心耿耿地事奉主的羊群，帶領教會增長，使華人教會成為大多市其他教會的好榜樣。同時院長亦親自多謝華人教會一向以來對神學院的愛戴和支持！接著，高委漢牧師及黃可順牧師亦代表華人教會作衷心的回應，表示繼續支持神學院的異象，彼此代禱，一起共渡時來，為主打那美好的勝仗。正當整個場地充滿著主的愛時，聚會的高峰隨即誕生：一個特別為著紫惹慶康牧師及師母（紫梁蔵博士）在神學院任教而設的接手差遣禮。最後，為著神學院及教會的屬靈需要，各教者被此分組代求，由溫偉耀博士結束祈禱。聚會後，當中有好幾位牧師表示，希望每年神學院可以舉辦類似的聚會。（黃啟榮牧師）

A World of Opportunities

The certificate in Teaching English as a Second Language is a 10-month program designed to give students the theoretical and practical experience needed to instruct in Canada and abroad.

"I would recommend this program to anyone interested especially in going overseas on missions," says recent TESL graduate Christy Teal. "I really enjoyed the practical aspect, which gave me teaching experience. This background will be of great value to me in the future." Teal, who begins her first year of the Bachelor of Religious Education program at the college in September, is able to transfer her TESL credits toward her OBC degree. She plans to go abroad on missions later on.

Beginning in the fall, students who have completed an undergraduate degree at university and who are enrolled in the TESL program will earn a diploma in Christian studies. These credits can be used toward a master's at OTS. Call ext. 6757 for more information.

Class of '60 grads Sylvia Meade and Shirley Funnell catch up at the recent London College of Bible and Missions (LCBM) reunion. LCBM merged with Toronto Bible College to become Ontario Bible College in 1968.

STUDENTS ON A ROLL!

Congratulations to six OBC students who graduated in June with an Early Childhood Education diploma from Seneca College–five with high honours and one with honours. Letitia Collins, Cathy-Ann Coward, Julie Hackett, Julie Jung-Shin Ham, Darlene Morgan and Catherine Thornton studied in a joint program at both OBC and Seneca College. As well as receiving their ECE diploma, they graduate from OBC with a Bachelor of Religious Education degree. Christian schools, camps and child care centres have since been calling with job offers.

SEMESTER BEGINS WEEK OF SEPT. 8, 1997

PREPARING COMMON PEOPLE

ONTARIO BIBLE COLLEGE, FALL 1997

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
8:30 - 11:30	CHED 0108 CHURCH IN THE WORLD (RUSSELL) C251 BIBL 0305 EPHESIANS/COLOSSIANS (PENNER) C252 PAST 0361 COUNSELLING SKILLS (STEVENS) C253 CHED 0305 EDUCATIONAL HISTORY & PHILOSOPHY (TBA) C254	HIST 0221 ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS (FRIESEN) C252 CHED 0112 FOUNDATIONS OF TEACHING (POSTERSKI) C253 OLDT 0611 HEBREW GRAMMAR (KESSLER) 10:00 -11:30 OTS S201	BIBL 0101 UNDERSTANDING THE OLD TESTAMENT I (WYPER) CHAPEL PAST 0109 CHRISTIAN LIFE & DISCIPLESHIP (THOMSON) C251 YOUT 0216 YOUTH MINISTRY (WILKINSON) C253 BIBL 0303 GENESIS (WYSE) C252	HIST 0104 HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY (FRIESEN) Section 2 C251 THEO 0325 APOLOGETICS (DUEZ) C252 LITR 0272 RELIGIOUS THEMES IN LITERATURE II (DAVEY) C253 INTC 0201 CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY (SCOTT) C254 CHED 0202 CHILDREN'S LITERATURE (POSTERSKI) RECITAL HALL OLDT 0611 HEBREW GRAMMAR (KESSLER) 10:00 -11:30 OTS S201
1:30 - 4:30	BIBL 0209 BIBLICAL HERMENEUTICS (WYPER) C251 LANG 0111 INTRO COLLEGE ESSAY WRITING (HOOGSTEEN) Section 1 C254 LANG 0471 GREEK READING & SYNTAX (EDWARDS) OTS S102	THEO 0323 THEOLOGY OF PAUL (PENNER) C251 BIBL 0203 HOSEA (WYPER) C252 PHIL 0444 GOD AND MODERN THOUGHT (HINTON) C253 PAST 0331 PREACHING I (RUSSELL) OTS S103 OLDT 0711 OLD TESTAMENT EXEGESIS I (KESSLER) OTS S201	THEO 0221 THEOLOGICAL STUDIES I (DUEZ) CHAPEL HIST 0104 HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY (FRIESEN) Section 1 C251 SOSC 0382 WOMEN & MEN (DAVEY) C252 CHED 0200 SUPERVISED TEACHING (POSTERSKI) C253 PAST0331 PREACHING 1 (RUSSELL) OTS 103 (preaching practice only during second half of term–students must take the class on Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.)	CHED 0106 GROUP DYNAMICS (KAUFFELDT) C251 INTC 0302 CONTEMPORARY RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS (SCOTT) C252 FDED 0001 FIELD EDUCATION FIRST YEAR GROUPS
6:30 - 9:30	PHIL 0105 WESTERN THOUGHT & CULTURE (HINTON) C251 SOSC 0351 INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY (HOFF) C252 CHED 0203 ADOLESCENT & ADULT DEVELOPMENT (COLE) C253 YOUT 0208 PARACHURCH MINISTRY TO YOUTH (ROBERTSON) C254	BIBL 0313 CORINTHIAN LETTERS (DUEZ) C251 LANG 0111 INTRO COLLEGE ESSAY WRITING (DEAN) Section 2 C252 TESL 0310 FUNDAMENTALS OF TEACHING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (O'DONNELL) C253 CHED 0212 LEADERSHIP & ADMINISTRATION (DENNISON) C254 CHED 2000 THE ABUSED PERSON (MACKENZIE) (October 8, 15, 22, 29)	BIBL 0310 THE DEATH OF JESUS IN THE GOSPELS (MARTENS) C252 LITR 0171 INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH LITERATURE (DAVEY) C253 CHED 0302 MARRIAGE & THE FAMILY (STEVENS) C254	BIBL 0103 UNDERSTANDING NEW TESTAMENT (THOMSON) CHAPEL PAST 0333 PASTORAL PROCEDURES (RUSSELL) C251 LANG 0371 ELEMENTARY GREEK I (PENNER) OTS S102

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OTS student council president profile

OTS student council president Gladys Chan and her husband Benny with their sons Evan (2) and Brendon (5).

Newly elected OTS student council president Gladys Chan has big plans for the seminary this coming year. "I want to nurture a stronger sense of belonging among the commuter population," says Chan. (This group makes up most of the student body.) "We are a community here and it's important to live like one." Chan will begin her third year in the Master of Divinity, Christian education focus program, in September. Her undergraduate degree is in history and political science from the University of Toronto. She and her husband Benny have two sons: Brendon (5) and Evan (2).

Doctor of Ministry course update

Fuller Theological Seminary recently announced its plan to offer Doctor of Ministry courses at OTS in 1998, pending provincial approval.

"It was our intention to offer classes leading to the D.Min. degree for several years," says W. Ward Gasque, academic dean of OTS. "Now, this dream is being realized." Renowned lecturers Robert Webber and Michael Green will be among an exceptional program faculty.

D.Min. degrees are the equivalent of one year of full-time advanced study but are normally spread over three to seven years. Students participate in intense two-week seminars, then complete a thesis or project. The admissions requirements for the program are a Master of Divinity degree or its equivalent (with a 3.0 grade point average), one year of Greek- or Hebrew-language study and a minimum of three years post-M.Div. service experience.

"The Doctor of Ministry program is one of our school's most important offerings," says Fuller president Richard J. Mouw. "It brings renewal to the personal life of the pastor through refreshment in a broad range of ministry skills and concerns that are vital in today's world."

Fuller Theological Seminary, located in Pasadena, California, is widely recognized for its outstanding leadership in the Doctor of Ministry program. Established in 1971, it is the largest accredited program of its kind in North America.

Prospective students should call ext. 2761 for further information.

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D.MIN. INFORMATION LUNCHEON

Hear more about Fuller Theological Seminary's

Doctor of Ministry program at OTS.

Friday September 26, 12 (noon)- 2 p.m.

RSVP Marilyn Chan at ext. 2761.

FOR UNCOMMON SERVICE

SEMESTER BEGINS WEEK OF SEPT. 8, 1997

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TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
8:30 - 11:30	CHIN 0609 EFFECTIVE MANDARIN FOR EVANGELISM (WU) S101 SMIN 0001 SUPERVISED MINISTRY–LARGE GROUP SESSION (Section 1) S102 PAST 0644 BUILDING THE CHURCH THROUGH SMALL GROUPS (SHERBINO) S106 NEWT 0529 SPIRITUAL WARFARE (MATHESON) S105	THEO 0631 CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE ADVANCED: THE HOLY SPIRIT (BEVERLEY) S101 COUN 0676 THE THERAPEUTIC RELATIONSHIP (CUNNINGTON) S102 PAST 0641 INTRODUCTION TO PREACHING (K. EDWARDS) Section 2 S103 YMIN 0591 ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURE (OVERHOLT) S105 OLDT 0611 HEBREW GRAMMAR (KESSLER) 10:00 - 11:30 S201	THEO 0730 THEOLOGY OF RELIGIONS (PERRY) S101 OLDT 0717 EXPOUNDING KEY CHAPTERS IN THE PROPHETS (LEGGETT) S102 THEO 0530 BASIC CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE (VISSERS) S105	THEO 0539 THE SPIRIT OF METHODISM (SHEPHERD) S102 COUN 0572 COUNSELLING FOUNDATIONS I (CUNNINGTON) S105 OLDT 0611 HEBREW GRAMMAR (KESSLER) 10:00 - 11:30 S201
1:30 - 4:30	PAST 0544 THE CHURCH, PASTOR, AND LEADERSHIP (WILDEBOER) S101 NEWT 0523 EXEGETICAL METHOD I (B. EDWARDS) S102 PAST 0745 ADVANCED PREACHING (ANNAN) S103 NEWT 0522 NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY & HISTORY (LAU) Section 1 S105 PENT 0501 IMPACT OF TWENTIETH CENTURY PENTECOSTALISM (JOHNSON) Section 1 S106	NEWT 0725 GOSPEL OF LUKE (TBA) S101 PAST 0541 THEOLOGY AND PRACTICE OF MINISTRY (SHERBINO) S106 OLDT 0511 OLD TESTAMENT THEOLOGY & HISTORY (LEGGETT) S105 COUN/SMIN 0003 COUNSELLING SKILLS LAB I (CUNNINGTON) S102 OLDT 0711 OLD TESTAMENT EXEGESIS I (KESSLER) S201	PAST 0645 EVANGELISM AND THE LOCAL CHURCH (MCLAVERTY) S101 BIBL 0501 INTERPRETING AND APPLYING THE BIBLICAL TEXT (DUNN) S102 OLDT 0519 PROVERBS (B. LAI) S105	THEO 0738 NEW RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS (BEVERLEY) S101 COUN 0771 COUNSELLING INTERNSHIP (CUNNINGTON) S102 PAST 0646 THE ART OF PUBLIC SPEAKING (formerly Christian Communication) (DALEY) S103 NEWT 0723 1 CORINTHIANS (CALVERT-KOYZIS) S105 MISS 0685 CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY (WHITT) S106 OLDT 0516 THE MINOR PROPHETS (HEBREW TEXT) (KESSLER) S201
6:30 - 9:30	COUN 0778 PSYCHOLOGY OF RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE (SLATER) S102 PAST 0641 INTRODUCTION TO PREACHING (WONG) Section 1 S103 OLDT 0614 ISAIAH (LEGGETT) S105 YMIN 0690 URBAN YOUTH MINISTRY (TOBIAS) S106 MTS MODULAR GROUP #1 S201; GROUP #3 OBC recital hall PENT 0501 IMPACT OF TWENTIETH CENTURY PENTECOSTALISM (JOHNSON @ CPS, AGINCOURT PENTECOSTAL CHURCH) Section 2 NEWT 0522 NT THEOLOGY AND HISTORY (HUMPHREY @ OTTAWA) SECTION 2	COUN 0674 PERSONALITY THEORIES (POON) S101 CHIN 0603 EVANGELISM & CHURCH PLANTING IN THE CHINESE COMMUNITY (KAO) S102 PAST 0542 FOUNDATIONS OF CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY (SHERBINO) S105 NEWT 0320 BIBLICAL GREEK FOR NEW TESTAMENT STUDY (DUNN) S106 MTS MODULAR GROUP 2 S201 TESL 0310 FUNDAMENTALS OF TEACHING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (O'DONNELL) OBC C253 SMIN 0001 SUPERVISED MINISTRY–LARGE GROUP SESSION (SECTION 2) S103	MISS 0585 WORLD EVANGELISM (WHITT) S101 NEWT 0722 PRISON EPISTLES (CALVERT-KOYZIS) S102 THEO 0535 CHRISTIAN ETHICS (BEVERLEY) S105	THEO 0631 CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE ADVANCED: THE TRINITY (PERRY) S101 NEWT 0321 ELEMENTARY GREEK I (PENNER) S102 HIST 0561 HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY (GOERTZ) S015 CHIN 0501 CHRISTIANITY & CHINESE CULTURE (WAN) S106 NEWT 0522 NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY & HISTORY (MATHESON @ CHARTWELL BAPTIST CHURCH) Section 3

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Counselling Seminars

For more information, call Brian Cunnington, head of the counselling department at OTS (ext. 6712).

Counselling Focus

These Wednesday seminars are to provide an introduction to theoretical and therapeutic aspects related to common presenting problems in counselling.
Fee: $10, payable at the door

Counselling and AIDS
September 24, 6:30-9:30 p.m.
Peter and Jennifer Heroux

Counselling and Suicide
October 1, 1-5 p.m.
Brian Cunnington

Counselling and the Law
October 15, 1-4 p.m.
Bill Kechnie

Taylor-Johnson Temperment Analysis

Kelvin Mutter, a certified trainer, will provide training in the administration, scoring and interpretation of T-JTA. This session is a helpful instrument for individual or couple counselling in a church setting, clinic or private practice. Saturday November 15 (9 a.m.-4 p.m.) or Saturday March 21, 1998 (9 a.m.-4 p.m.)
Fee: $75
Registration: by October 24 for the first session; by March 6 for the second
Note: each seminar is limited to 15 participants.

Theory Intensive

"Transactional Analysis" application will be led by Brian Cunnington.
Fee: $100 for all four sessions
Registration: by September 27
Time: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (Saturdays)
Structural Analysis October 11
Transactional Analysis November 22
Game and Racket Analysis January 31, 1998
Script Analysis February 21, 1998

Living our Losses

This experiential training session provides participants with an opportunity to explore the nature and meaning of bereavement and loss from an historical, cultural, social and personal perspective. OTS professor of history Donald Goertz.
Fee: $50
Registration: by Monday October 20
Date: Saturday November 1
Time: 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Recreating Relationships in Love

Learn how to develop relationships that will more closely reflect the "love of Christ." Alfred Davis, M.Div. (OTS).
Cost: $50 for the eight sessions
Dates: Tuesdays, from September 30-November 18
Time: 4:45-5:45 p.m.

Faculty and Staff Notes

This fall, **Jim Postlewaite** joins OBC/OTS as the dean of students. Jim graduated from Seattle University with his Ed.D. and was most recently minister of Christian education at Foothills Baptist Church in Vancouver. He and his wife Merle have two daughters: Jeanine and Stephanie.

New director of admissions **Don Russell** began his work at OBC/OTS in a whirlwind in July. Shortly after arriving, he was off to Washington, D.C. to represent the school at the DC '97 conference. Don, who is married with three children, was previously director of the enrollment management office at Prairie Bible College in Alberta.

Barbara and **Warren Lai** were recently appointed co-directors of the OBC/OTS Chinese Ministry program. Barbara will serve full-time in this capacity and will teach in the area of Old Testament. She earned her Ph.D. in OT from the University of Sheffield. Warren will serve part-time while remaining senior pastor at Scarborough Chinese Baptist Church. He is finishing his dissertation for a Th.D. in New Testament at Wycliffe College at the University of Toronto.

Both have previously served as church planters and missionaries with the Evangelical Free Church and BCOQ, and as lecturers at Evangel Theological College, McMaster University, Regent College and OBC/OTS. They have published articles in the areas of Old and New Testament and pastoral studies. Presently, they are in the process of writing two commentaries in Chinese.

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My Favourite Book

By Victor Shepherd,
chair of Wesley studies and OTS professor of history

"As you know, Victor, the worst consequence of sin is more sin." Did I know? I was convinced of this statement as of that moment, for the man speaking to me was the godliest person I had ever met. Ronald Ward's offhand comment, uttered in the course of informal conversation, was soon followed by another: "As you know, Victor, the worst consequence of prayerlessness is the inability to pray." At the time, I was only months into my first congregation. Ward was 63 years old, and unselfconsciously radiated decades of intimacy with the heart of God.

Professor of New Testament at University of Toronto's Wycliffe College from 1951 to 1963, Ward had already written several books that had nourished me. Soon, I was immersed in *Royal Sacrament*, a book that pleaded for better preaching. It became my favourite, and I was to return to it not only to preach better myself, but more profoundly, to refresh my Gospel understanding and vocation with His spirit–just as Elisha profited from Elijah of old.

The book details warmly the service rendered preaching by rigorous theology, Greek grammar, general literature, and the preacher's daily life. It concludes with a chapter on the place of the believing fellowship and another on the training of preachers.

Why Royal *Sacrament*? When sermons are preached, words are uttered: "in, with and under" them a person is offered. As often as I return to my favourite book, I hear an older Anglican (John Wesley) saying, at sermon's end, through my Anglican friend, "I offered them Christ."

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